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EDITORIAL COMMENTS.

It is but two years since the MCGILL FORTNIGHTLY was a venture made by a few of the bolder spirits among the Students, who, instigated by seeing the necessity of a College paper, were not disheartened by the failures of their predecessors.

The venture, during this time, has outstripped the hopes of the most sanguine, exceeding even the anticipations of its promoters, and reflecting great credit upon their energy. It is fair to presume that the FORTNIGHTLY has come amongst us to stay.

This success of the FORTNIGHTLY is due, for the most part, to the zeal with which the Students, as a body, have come forward in its support, and it is earnestly hoped that this support will be continued in order to overcome the many difficulties still blocking the path of our College paper.

One of the chief difficulties is the inability of the Students to understand that the FORTNIGHTLY is the *University FORTNIGHTLY*, that its pages are a place for recording college events, and that it depends quite as much upon them for literary contributions as for financial support.

It is nonsense to presume that, in a University the size of McGill, literary talent is entirely wanting among its students. The lack of contributions from students in the past simply shows disinclination, not inability. It is equally nonsensical to presume that a board of management can produce a journal that will suit the varied tastes of so many without their help—for all to be pleased all must help please.

To those students who, for the first time, are coming to McGill, the FORTNIGHTLY begs to extend a hearty welcome and a no less hearty invitation to join the ranks of its supporters.

Successful as it has been in its past career, let us hope that the *furor scribendi* breaking out in the ranks of the Students will be noticeable in the pages of the FORTNIGHTLY, and, in becoming still more a College paper, it will have its success increased in like proportion.

All friends of McGill are to be congratulated upon two appointments that have recently been made in the University. We refer to the appointment to the Board of Governors of the Honorable Mr. Justice Archibald and of Mr. C. J. Fleet. It is simple justice to say that these gentlemen richly deserve the honour that has been conferred upon them. Both are graduates of McGill, who distinguished themselves at the time of taking their degrees, and have since continued to win honours not merely for themselves, but for their *Alma Mater*. Mr. Justice Archibald's elevation to the Bench, which occurred very shortly before he was made a Governor of this University, shows the esteem that he has gained by his upright life and well-directed ability.

Mr. Fleet has made for himself a prominent position among the lawyers of Montreal; and his appointment is eminently appropriate in view of his keen interest in all University matters and the activity he has long displayed in regard to them. In his new position Mr. Fleet will have larger opportunities than ever of serving his college and those who are connected with it, and none who know him, or know of him, will doubt that he will improve his opportunities.

It is a pleasure to state that the plan for the re-organization of the Athletic Association of McGill, sub-

mitted last spring to the authorities, has been approved of by them, and from this present time our athletic world will be governed by the new system.

It is manifestly an improvement on the old one, and should be the means of putting all sports and games at McGill on a firm basis, by giving, as it does, a well considered set of rules, a good revenue and a proper management to the Athletic Association.

The revenue, derived from the fee of two dollars imposed on every student, ought to be sufficient for all needs, and this, together with the fact that the managing body is composed, not only of students, but of Professors and Governors of the University, should ensure the success of the new system. Under this guidance, Athletics at McGill ought soon to reach the level of those of other large Universities, where a student's physical education is considered of some importance, and where opportunities are given him for perfecting himself in it.

The revenue will be expended partly on the improvement of the grounds, partly on the different clubs supported by the students; and while the several clubs will receive a grant of money to aid in their support, it will probably be necessary for them to levy a small entrance fee of their own for the purpose of increasing their income, and also for determining their membership.

The good effect of the new plan is already apparent, as the cinder track has been considerably lengthened and improved, while the campus has been levelled off and new turf laid where required.

As regards the arrangements of the Association, everything seems to be fair and business-like, the students being well represented, and the professors and governors evidently doing all in their power to advance the interests of Athletics in the University.

There can scarcely be expected a "revival" of athletics this year, but it is safe to say that, in a very short time, McGill will be no further behind her sister Universities in this respect than she now is in regard to educational matters.

We are pleased to notice the important remarks which the Dean of the Medical Faculty made in his address to the Medical Students on October 2nd. These were with regard to the lengthening of the session, and will be of interest to all.

With such a quantity of work to be done, it was often a subject of inquiry why only six months should be assigned to its accomplishment. When, however, one remembers that in the past the majority of the Medical students came from rural districts, and had to earn enough in the long summer vacation to pay for the winter session, one can well understand why the session was made as short as possible. There are still a

number of students who make enough during the summer to pay for the winter session; but this class of students is becoming small, and the majority of the students who now enter college see their way clear to finish the course.

As the class of students with independent means and in better circumstances has increased, so Medical science has been steadily progressing, and every year the amount of work to go over has been getting greater.

With these facts before them, the Medical Faculty has for some years been carefully considering what would be the best thing to do. They feel that the McGill Medical College has reached such a state of development that it need not wait for some other college to take the initiative, but that it should do anything that will add to its own welfare. Consequently the course has been lengthened from four sessions of six months and two summer sessions, to four sessions of nine months.

The results that will follow such a change are important. The quantity of work will not be greatly increased, but a better quality of work is expected. For a number of years there have been two summer sessions, namely, one at the end of the First year, which was optional, and one at the end of the Third year, which was compulsory. The present change is practically to add two more summer sessions, so that instead of the session ending at the end of March, it will end on the 20th of June. Instead of six months, the student will have nine months in each year of Academic teaching, and will thus feel the influence of the professors to a greater degree.

The present change applies to the First Year, and is not retroactive, so that the Second, Third and Fourth Years will still have their sessions close at the end of March, while the First Year will finish its session at the end of June.

Now that athletics in McGill have been placed on a proper basis by the authorities, it seems as if the Students in the several Faculties might rid themselves of a cloud that, for the past few years, has darkened Sports' day. This day has always been the day of days for the McGill student. Popular as it has been in the past, there is little doubt but that, under the new management, it will become immensely more so in the future; and in becoming still more a University day it will become more universally a gala day for the Student.

Just as Sports' day is the day of days, so ought Sports' night to be the night of nights for the Student; and as the former is *the* University day, so ought the latter to be *the* University night.

Faculty feeling has prevented this in the past, but University feeling should *not* be sacrificed to Faculty

feeling. Why now, at so favorable a time, could not all old grievances be laid aside? It would require very little sacrifice of old customs to perform this, a sacrifice of old customs for new and better ones. A mass meeting of Students would probably clear up all past misunderstanding, do much to promote a University feeling, and might result in the Students uniting, as Students of Old McGill, and not as belonging to any particular Faculty, in making Sports' night, what—shame to them—it has never been—a grand Students' night.

The daily press is reviving the rumor that McGill has at length found a Principal in Dr. Petersen of Dundee. Although we have been informed on good authority that no such appointment has been made, there may be sufficient interest concerning the matter to justify the insertion of the following extracts taken from the *Witness* of October 5th.

Wm. Petersen, M.A., LL.D., commenced his educational career at the Royal High School of Edinburgh, passed thence to the University of Edinburgh, and graduated first in the Honour list. There he gained a Greek Travelling Fellowship, and studied for some time on the Continent. Afterwards he was elected to the MacKenzie Scholarship, and gained an open scholarship at Corpus Christi College, Oxford. In 1876 he took the Ferguson Scholarship.

After graduating with honors at Oxford, he was appointed assistant professor of Humanity in Edinburgh University. In 1885 the University of St. Andrews conferred upon him the degree of Doctor of Laws. In 1882 Dr. Petersen was elected Principal of University College, Dundee, and since that time he, by his ability, tact and energy, has been successfully engaged in overcoming the many dangers and difficulties which surrounded the early days of that College.

It was the intention and desire of the Board of Management of the FORTNIGHTLY to furnish with this number a portrait of J. H. R. Molson, Esq., donor of the new Medical Building.

At the special request of Mr. Molson, however, and to our very deep regret, the portrait has been withheld.

THE LIBRARY.

The University Library is now open, except on Saturdays, from 8 till 10 p.m., and should anyone wish to consult between these hours books that do not happen to be on the Reference Shelves, it is only necessary to apply for them before 5 o'clock in the afternoon. If this be done, the books will be brought from the stack, and kept at the delivery counter until required.

The following advice to readers, taken from a number of the *Library Record* of Jersey City, is worth reprinting:

HOW AND WHEN TO READ.

Systematically,—do not run from one subject to another.

Slowly,—never give more time to reading a book than to reflecting upon its contents.

Never try to read what is laborious; the memory will not retain it. One hour when fresh is worth three when tired.

Whenever you can get a chance—except at night when you ought to be asleep.

Have books about you; employ the spare moments. You will be surprised how much can be accomplished in odd moments usually thrown away.

Persevere. Tenacity and application are almost omnipotent.

CONTRIBUTIONS.

THE NEW ADDITIONS AND ALTERATIONS TO THE BUILDINGS OF THE FACULTY OF MEDICINE, MCGILL COLLEGE.

In the Calendar of the Faculty of Medicine for this session, recently issued, will be found a very concise yet comprehensive description of the additions and alterations which have been made to the buildings of the Medical Faculty. The reader might be referred to this for such information as he desires, and find it all sufficient, so that my task seems unnecessary. As I have been asked, however, to write something for this month's issue, I gladly accede to the request.

When the generosity of Mr. J. H. R. Molson enabled the Medical Faculty to carry out their cherished desire to add to the accommodation which had long been insufficient for the large and increasing number of students, the problem presented itself, how best to do this so as to be most efficient and with a modest expenditure.

The original building had been enlarged and added to, piecemeal, from time to time, and without any reference to a comprehensive scheme.

The acquisition of the adjoining detached house belonging to Sir William Dawson, so long the residence of Professor Harrington, and now devoted to Pathology under the charge of Dr. Adami, made it essential that the new building should be so placed as to unite the whole series of buildings.

At the same time it was desired that this new building should be so designed with reference to a

possible further enlargement at some distant date, so as to form the central block of a future façade facing Carleton Road.

It was therefore wisely decided to build it in stone, and it is hoped that before very long the brick septagonal Lecture room, coming between the original stone building and the new building, may be so rearranged with a stone façade as to make an entire harmony of front.

The idea of the central corridor has been retained and extended, and the corridor now runs from end to end of the building, a distance of about 275 feet, having the Lecture rooms, Laboratories, etc., opening from same, right and left.

Owing to the very considerable rise in the ground, the levels of the floors vary; and so much is this the case with the new building that its ground floor is only a few feet below the upper floor of the old building. This has necessitated some ingenuity in arranging the stairs and floors, as the Pathological building had also to be considered.

The buildings as now arranged are less compact than they might have been had they been all designed at one time, but it is hoped that any bewildered student, after enjoying a personally conducted tour by Cook, may be able to dispense with a guide book. Should this not be the case, the lithographic plans in the Calendar may perchance supply his need.

If the reader will be good enough to accompany me on an imaginary visit to the buildings, I will briefly try to explain what has been done since the close of last session. Entering by the familiar front door of the original building, on the left we will find a small office arranged for the janitor, which will no doubt be duly appreciated. The Library is now a general one for Students, and the old Faculty room is reserved for a special Library. The room beyond is now the Faculty room, and has been transmogrified. On the right the Museum remains as before, and beyond the stair the Students' old Reading room has been changed into the Registrar's office. The Chemical Laboratory has been nearly doubled in area, as it now includes the Laboratory formerly used by the department of Physiology.

On the other side of the corridor the old Lecture room has not been changed, except that divisions have been placed below each seat, and each numbered.

On the upper floor of the old building the Dissecting room has been very considerably enlarged, and a new hoist put in with new lockers, etc.

The old Historical Laboratory is now a Bone room and Anatomical Laboratory. The upper Lecture room remains as before.

Entering now the new building by a flight of steps from the old building, immediately on the left is the Students' common room, which will be found brighter,

more cheerful and commodious than the old room. Adjoining this is a cloak room for those coming in from the new entrance; beyond is an apparatus room, both being obtained under the seats in the Lecture room. We come now to the new Lecture room which is seated for 400 students, with comfortable seats in oak with sloping backs and arm rests for writing upon; the room is lit by five large windows on the left of the students, which throw abundant light on the Lecture table, etc. Adjoining and connected with the Lecture room are three well lit rooms, to be used as preparation and Professor's room and private laboratory. A draught cupboard is placed between the Lecture room and the preparation room, with glass fronts on each side.

The long corridor is lit by ample windows along the one side, and at the end is a new entrance for the convenience of students and professors going up to the Victoria Hospital.

On the right is another staircase with rooms on each side for the professors, etc. Ascending the stairs we land on the mezzanim floor, where the laboratories and rooms for Hygiene are placed, and from the corridor of which a students' entrance is obtained to the upper part of the Lecture Hall.

On the top floor, well lit and airy laboratories are arranged for Physiology, Pharmacology and Histology, each having an area of over two thousand super. feet. These are being fitted with most complete fittings in hardwood and every convenience necessary for the prosecution of the work.

In the pathological department, which, as has been said, is now joined to the main buildings, the general Laboratory has been improved by removing the cupboards, which formerly blocked up the middle of the room, and new entrances have been made both externally and internally.

The heating is by hot water and by direct radiation. The ventilation is partly by electric fans and partly natural, with high tubes for fresh air inlets and larger flues for foul air. For artificial lighting, electricity has been adopted throughout.

Having rapidly and, it must be confessed, somewhat superficially run through the interior of the buildings let us glance at the exterior of the buildings.

The appearance of the new addition is of the simplest character, the funds available would not admit of any adornment or embellishments. All that could be done was to endeavor to give an air of solidity and dignity to the building, and by the fenestration to impart character as far as might be.

It is a matter for congratulation that stone was decided upon after a good deal of consideration; and although it is hardly possible to put much unity into the several buildings of the Medical Faculty, as they are so diverse and designed without much relation to each

other, yet we think when the brick building facing Carleton Road is supplanted by a stone front, linking the old and the new stone buildings together, the whole will have a certain unique dignity and simple character.

It is intended to put steps up to the Carleton Road, so as to give easy access for students going to the Victoria Hospital.

I gladly take this opportunity of expressing my indebtedness to the Dean and members of the Faculty, and especially to Dr. Ruttan, for much kindly help in working out the problems presented, not only in the general arrangements but in many matters of detail.

Before the end of the session the Medical readers at least will doubtless have become very familiar with the new building. May I venture to hope that they may be "to its faults a little blind, and to its virtues wondrous kind"?

ANDREW T. TAYLOR.

THE STUDENT CONFERENCE AT NORTHFIELD, MASS.

During the first ten days of last July, delegates from the Young Men's Christian Associations of the chief colleges of America assembled at Northfield, for the ninth time, to engage in Bible study and conference on religious work in our colleges and seminaries. Four hundred and thirty student-delegates were present, representing one hundred and nine institutions, which are contained within a triangular area with Cape Breton as its eastern, Michigan its western, and Virginia its southern point. Of the colleges of Canada, Toronto, Victoria, Acadia and McGill Universities were represented, as also were Ontario Agricultural College of Guelph, and Albert of Belleville. McGill had the largest Canadian delegation, and Yale headed the list of American delegations.

The first thing to do on arriving at Northfield is to get located in your temporary quarters. The home of the conference is the girls' seminary, an institution where about four hundred girls annually reside for the purpose of engaging in various branches of study. Some of the boys said they experienced a "funny" feeling when they learned who had been the previous occupants of those hallowed halls and rooms. The closets, store rooms, etc., were always examined to see that not even the ghosts of the fair sisters were hiding there. But no ghosts were found. Here and there parts of wearing apparel were discovered; but we should explain that the owners of these "things" had to make a hasty exit to make room for us.

Then the visitor turns to admire the natural scenery of Northfield. This is a work that is continued as time permits until the conference is over. For

Northfield is one of the prettiest spots in New England. Wooded mountains, rich valleys, and gently flowing river seem to vie with each other in presenting to the eye the most fascinating view. From a knoll near Mr. Moody's house, familiarly known as "Round Top," there is a most entrancing view, especially at sunset. The valley of the Connecticut River stretches out before the eye, displaying cultivated fields of various colors, sequestered farm cottages, groves and bridges; while winding through the hills is the river, broad and majestic, and to the left and in the background, as far as the eye can reach, are the Green Mountains of Vermont. When this terrestrial splendor is enhanced by the golden rays of the setting sun, which there gilds the western skies with an indescribable beauty, the picture is as nearly perfect as can be imagined. Feasting our eyes on this lovely scene, and listening to the soul-stirring words of the speakers, it was no wonder that on "Round Top" we experienced somewhat of the feelings of the disciples in the Transfiguration scene, and would fain have prolonged those blissful hours.

The pastimes of Northfield also deserve a passing notice. Each afternoon is devoted entirely to physical recreation. Swimming, walking, baseball, tennis, social intercourse, sleeping and mischief are always in order. We had our "sports" day, during which some excellent records were made. The events which attracted most attention were an obstacle and a single scull race across a small pond in wash tubs. The latter was accompanied by the usual misfortunes, only more frequent, owing to the smallness of the tubs. However, as a number of the fair sex were looking on, the boys didn't seem to mind the inevitable foundering, and with good grace allowed the water to trickle down the back of their necks. But the obstacle race had some new features, especially in the character of the obstacles. About twenty men entered, and the course was as follows:—They took position on a side hill on all fours, with heads downward. At the signal they turned three somersaults, then ran a short distance, jumped a wire fence (no barbs), and plunged into the above-mentioned pond, through which their course lay.

This pond, less than one hundred yards in diameter, is the watering place of a beautiful swan and others of the feathered kind. They seemed a little surprised at the intrusion on their privacy; but, supposing the new-comers to be friends, they gallantly retired until the strangers had finished their ablutions. After the pond, came another wire fence, then, after a few more yards run, two more somersaults were turned and next a wall eight feet high had to be climbed. Having scaled the wall, each one had to stand on a shingle, and remain there till he munched a slice of bread which had been first toasted and then sun-dried. Re-

freshments being over, they next wriggled through empty barrels, and then came the last hurdle. This was a tennis net placed flat on the ground, with men sitting on it at intervals of about six feet, and at the centre of this space, the competitors, wet and weary, and still striving with the crust, raised the net and crawled under to the desired goal.

As to the real work of the Conference, only the briefest outline can be given and one or two leading features noticed.

The time, from eight o'clock to eleven each day, was devoted to the study of mission work, conferences on religious work in our colleges, and Bible study, the latter being chiefly done with a view to preparing men for personal religious work or for teaching a Bible class.

It is impossible to give here an adequate idea of the details of this work. The hours were not idly spent. We were all ready to confess that the lecture room was no more fatiguing. Much information was imparted, much encouragement given; the most successful Associations related their experiences, the travelling secretaries gave us the best methods of work that had come under their extended observation; the practical superseded the theoretical, the addresses were brief and pointed; an intense earnestness was manifested, and a desire to know how the Master's work may be best advanced in our colleges; sometimes we were proud of what our Association had done, sometimes we sank into insignificance when brought into comparison with others.

At eleven a.m., and again at eight p.m., we had daily platform meetings. The public was admitted to these, and also to the meeting on "Round Top," at seven in the evening. These meetings were addressed by eminent speakers, of whom Mr. Moody, Dr. Pierson and Mr. Torrey of Chicago are best known to us in Canada. Their themes were varied in character,—literary, scientific, philosophical and theological, all very orthodox, practical and evangelical. The word of God was specially honoured, and held up as the chief agency by which our ends are to be attained. The need for and power of prayer was emphatically emphasized. But the subject that chiefly engrossed us, and the discussion of which led to the most important results, was "the Holy Spirit,"—his function, how manifested in us, etc.

This subject was very vividly and impressively presented by Mr. Torrey towards the close of the conference. It was the climax. The previous addresses and the deep earnestness that characterized all the meetings seemed to produce within us the disposition required for the proper hearing of such a subject. We had begun to realize the stupendous importance of our work, and simultaneously with this feeling came that of our incapacity for such work,

We were like one of old, ready to cry "who is sufficient for these things?" The answer came in Mr. Torrey's addresses. The work was to be accomplished not by any wisdom of ours, not by carefully prepared and diligently executed plan, not by perfect organization, "not by might nor by power, but *by my spirit*," saith the Lord of hosts.

The last Sunday afternoon we spent there will long be remembered. Someone suggested that we go up the mountain that afternoon to pray and wait for the baptism of the Holy Spirit to fit us for service. We were imitating a well-known precedent. It was even thus the disciples of our Lord were finally prepared for their life's work. We assembled at a point just in front of the cottage where Mr. Moody's widowed mother, an old lady of ninety, still lives. At Mr. Moody's request, prayer was there offered for his mother, after which we began the ascent of the mountain. Fully five hundred followed in the procession that wound its way up that wooded mountain slope. Away up on the side of the mountain, far removed from town and seminary, we sat down in an amphitheatre which Nature had provided. Mr. Moody led the meeting. The singing was subdued. The prayers were most earnest. The words spoken were choice and appropriate. There was no noisy demonstration. Parts of the hour were spent in silent prayer. It was a time of keen introspection, of heart searching, of reaching outward and upward; a time when cherished plan or self-erected ideal was modified or abandoned. And there in that solemn hour we may say, we hope without presumption, that many lives inhaled anew the "breath of God," and descended the mountain, no longer to live for self and the emoluments which this world offers, but for the good of their fellow-students and of mankind in general, and for the glory of God.

We would like to have written more in detail, but want of space forbids. We said adieu to Northfield, feeling more than ever impressed with the vastness and importance of the work carried on by our college associations, regretting that the colleges of Canada had not been better represented, grateful for the help and the inspiration we had received, trusting that we may be the media by which these benefits shall be shared by all our students, and hoping that, in the good providence of our gracious Father, we shall be allowed to return again in coming years to this annual feast of good things.

A. MAHAFFY.

THE PHILOSOPHY OF FUN, AND THE USES OF LAUGHTER.

"Laughter is the speech of humor," the effervescence of mirth, the overflow of fun. It makes wit palpitate with a cheerful vitality. It is the condiment of happy

conversation, and it gives a palatable tang to song and story. A good laugh—not a boisterous one—is a welcome guest at every gathering. Fools only stretch their mouths without discrimination, and laugh at everything they hear, whether it be sharp or flat, witty or silly, wise or otherwise. A pleasant wag will laugh *with* everybody, when anything has been dropped into the well of his heart to make it ripple with delight. A cynical wit will laugh *at* anybody, when the flint and steel of his nature are brought together with force enough to strike sparks of fun from his intellectual “make up.” The former is influenced by humour, which is genial as the sun, illuminating whatever it shines upon; the latter is cold and brilliant as the Northern Lights. One is friendly, sociable, cheerful, hopeful, helping us to bear the burdens of life; the other is cold, cranky, cynical, and with a pointed lance transforms the load in our garden of sweets into a demon as hateful as Milton’s devil, which sprung up in Paradise at the touch of Ithuriel’s spear. Charles Lamb was distinguished as gentle Elia because of the sweetness of his temper, the amiability of his nature, the soft splendour of his humour, and the glory of his genius, which shone out like sun-bursts in his conversation and his essays. At a dinner party, a “full table” was waiting for “grace before meat,” when Lamb enquired, “Is there a clergyman present?” “No,” was the answer. “Then let us thank God,” said the wag. He meant no dishonour to the clergy, but he wished to say something at which all could afford to smile.

Thomas Hood, the prince of punsters and humourists, wrote the “Bridge of Sighs,” the words of which sound like the “droppings of tears from the eaves of the eyelids.” His humour was closely allied to pathos, and “seemed to secrete tears.” James Russell Lowell and Oliver Wendell Holmes represent the same moral and intellectual sphere, and their writings abound with brilliant specimens of humour and wit, humour sharpened with wit, wit tempered with humour. Wit sometimes has a polish and edge like the Persian scimitar that cut off the offending courtier’s head at a blow, so artistically struck, he did not know he was a head shorter until he attempted to spit, when his head rolled into the basket. The caustic surveyor of events, who measures and weighs the words and deeds of men—with his pen or his pencil, with his tongue or his mimicry,—may be a blessing to the community.

Pompous men “whose eyes stick out with fatness,” and who discover perquisites and fees in every contract—men who have no scruples (save the three that make a dram), no conscience, no mercy, no patriotism, no regard for humanity, cannot be moved by entreaty, by argument, by pity. The humourist must puncture the balloons in which they sail so loftily, before their

huge bubbles will collapse, when they will find the level to which they belong. When they aim their arrows at such hawks in the air, they are doing the work of public benefactors. There are everywhere proper subjects of criticism and ridicule. Absurd habits, customs, fashions, and pretentious airs are proper targets to shoot at. Men and women who try to pass for more than they are worth, those who oppress and defraud others, and grow fat on fraud, deserve to wear the cap and bells, and the label of folly. They could not be moved by logic, but they shrink away from the finger of scorn, and shrivel into contempt when laughed at. The satirists have put down distasteful usages and ridiculous fashions; they have made fools and tyrants in power contemptible; they have changed political organizations and revolutionized empires. They are the police of the pen, and, in the language of Pope, “men not afraid of God are afraid of them.”

Sham and shoddy are fit subjects for the wit and the humourist to assail. Hypocrisy and fraud should not go unscathed of that fire which flashes out from the attraction of wit and satire. The man who has the genuine genius for fun speaks spontaneously the sentiment and thought that rises to the surface. When you meet such a person in the arena of discussion, it is sheer folly to argue with him. A pun cannot be put out like a lighted candle, with a puff from philosophical lips. What can the most elaborate argument do in combat with a joke? If you open your mouth to reason the case, ten to one if you will not have to eat your own words. You may find yourself in the position of Munchausen’s wolf, that swallowed the donkey, and found itself in the harness drawing the cart. You must meet the joker with jokes, the punster with puns, the story-teller with stories, the humourist with humour, the wit with wit, or “go under,” with the lances sticking in you thick as arrows in the body of St. Sebastian.

He who cannot take a joke, and join in a laugh at his own cost, is too thin-skinned to win the laurel crown in a contest of wit. If an offended wit, who has been defeated in the word-war of repartee and jest, seeks to do injury to his successful opponent by malicious misrepresentations or unfair assaults of any kind, he will be like the eagle that stole the meat from the altar of the gods, and burned its nest with the brand which accompanied the sacrifice. A few illustrations may not be out of place. The following is a specimen of pure wit, without a tinge of humour: Dr. Busby, whose figure was beneath the common size, was one day accosted in a public coffee-room by a baronet of colossal stature. “May I pass to my seat, O Giant?” The doctor, politely making way, replied, “Pass, O Pigmy!” “Oh, sir,” said the baronet, “my expression alluded to the size of your

intellect." "And my expression, sir," said the doctor, "to the size of yours."

Here is a flash from an unexpected quarter, where only grave jokes are looked for: A physician reprimanded a sexton, and exposed him in the church for drunkenness. "Sir," said the sexton, "I thought you would have been the last man alive to appear against me, as I have covered so many blunders of yours."

A gentleman, having a servant with a very thick skull, used often to call him "the king of fools." "I wish," said the fellow, one day, "you could make your words good, I should then be the greatest monarch in the world."

Ready wit will penetrate where philosophy and reason cannot go. It is true that some heads are so thick that you cannot get an idea into them without a surgical operation; still, by persistent hammering, you may flatten a witticism so that it may fit them. A distinguished author has written a book in which he attempts to solve the problem, "Why we laugh." Not having read the book, I know nothing of his solution of the question; but I will venture to name some of the classes of character at which we may laugh. The hypocrite who cheats with professions he does not put into practice, and who brings discredit upon virtue, and honour, and piety, is a fit subject for ridicule, and when the wit turns the calcium light of criticism upon him, making the multitude laugh at him, he renders a good service to society. Lyly, who was distinguished during the time of Queen Elizabeth, said of a notorious hypocrite of his time, that he never opened his mouth in earnest save when he sat down to eat. Conceit which crops out in speech, in gait, in manner, in sentiment, is a very objectionable trait. The man who is governed by it is sure to overestimate himself and underestimate his neighbour. He is an embodied personal pronoun in hat and boots, and although he has a large I (eye) he cannot see anyone so tall and great as himself. Some one said that Lord Thurlow was "the greatest liar in England, because he looked wiser than any man could possibly be."

The self-complacent smile of the egotist, the lordly manner in which he strides the streets, the stony stare he bestows on those in the humbler spheres of life, show him to be heartless and offensive in the highest degree. Such a man will not listen to reason, he has no taste for moral nor for intellectual philosophy. He can be reached only by the arrows of wit and ridicule, and the arrows must be sharp, and from a bow pulled by strong arms, to pierce his cuticle, for it is thick as the shield of Achilles.

The Book of books declares that "laughter doeth good like a medicine," and it also declares that "the laughter of fools is like the crackling of thorns under a pot."

THE THREE GRACES OF AMERICAN TRAVEL.

I. THE LANDING WAITER.

Civil St. Peter, not I mean to talk to,—

Good heaven guard my tongue from such a lie,—
But civil by appointment, free to walk through
Whatever luggage falls beneath thy eye:

Civil St. Peter, loath'd of every creature
Who knows thee, fierce custodian of the quays,
Why is it we must pay thee by the feature
Through which mankind at large is wont to sneeze?

Why is it that the love we bear our country
Should be subjected to the sudden shock
Thou giv'st it, when with triple brass effrontery
Thou mak'st us open every separate lock?

Why is it that unless we pay thee dollars,
Not drop by drop, but shower'd through a spout,
Thou layest in the dust our cuffs, and collars,
And snow white shirts, before thou lett'st us out?

In formula ambiguous thou sayest:
"How much is there for me in what you've got?"
Sweet euphemism; *anglice*, "Thou payest
To me a tip, or I shall know why not."

If honesty is at a heavy discount,
If Washingtonian truth is on the wane,
If hosts of matrons uniformly miscount
Their gloves allowed, and husbands grow profane,

Who shall deny that thou hast caus'd this scandal?
Who shall deny thy daily frauds are such
That to them Boss Tweed's cannot hold a candle,
And all comparisons fail, save Midas' touch?

Thou, thou,.....but there, my little tirade's ended,
For I remember once, when by some hap
Thou wert merciful, I thought thy ways amended,
In fact I thought thee quite a decent chap.

CARILLON.

8th JULY, 1758.

Winter's famine and night were o'er,
We woke into life with the summer's sun;
Woke face to face with our foe once more,
Our foe, outmatching us five to one.

We had felled the trees like a twisted chain
And our line within was a living rock,—
Berry, La-Sarre, Guyenne, La-Reine,
Rouissillon, Bearn and Languedoc.

And we,—we were chosen to hold the right,
Ready to sally at each advance,
Eager to signal our mettle in fight
Under the gallantest eyes of France.

Thrice they charge up that hill of death,
Slash or crawl through the twisted trees,
Their wounded cheering with latest breath;
Gods! they are men to fight with, these!

Now, threading their way 'mid the dying and dead,
To scream of life and to rattle of drum,
Highland kilt with jacket of red,
Shoulder to shoulder, once more they come.

No shot was fired, no cry was heard;
We stood like death as they swept along—
Canadiens, en avant! came the welcome word
And we leaped our line to our fathers' song,

*Entre vous genz de village
Qui aimez le roy françoys
Prenez chacun bon courage
Pour combattre les Engloys.*

Our song was lost in the muskets' roar,
Straight we pushed for the rolling smoke,
Charged as we never had charged before,
Met—and the English column broke.

Gathered our dead through the early night,
Lay on our arms to renew the fray
Till we saw by the morning's growing light
That our foe was a many miles away.

We had shed our blood like to summer rain,
We had held our lives like to autumn chaff,
To find that a nation's honour is vain
When weighed in the scale with a wanton's laugh.

[It was longed believed in Canada that the country was sold
by the Marquise de Pompadour.]

WILLIAM MCLENNAN.

A FOLDED LEAF.

A folded page, old, stained, and blurred,
I found within a book last night,
I did not read the dim, dark word
I saw in the slow-waning light;
So put it back and left it there,
As if in truth I did not care.

Ah! we have all a folded leaf
That in Time's book of long ago
We leave; a half relief
Falls on us when we hide it so,
We fold it down, then turn away,
And who may read that page to-day?

My folded leaf! how blue eyes gleam
And blot the dark brown eyes I see;
And golden curls at evening beam
Above the black locks at my knee!
Ah me! that leaf is folded down
And aye for me the locks are brown.

And yet I love them who sit by,—
My best and dearest—dearest now,
They may not know for what I sigh,
What brings the shadow on my brow,
Ghosts at the best; so let them be,
Nor come between my life and me!

They only rise at twilight hour;
So light the lamp and close the blind,
Small perfume lingers in the flower
That sleeps that folded page behind,
So let it ever folded lie;
'Twill be unfolded when I die.

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UNCHANGED.

An old man paused beside a wayside well,
And looked into its depths, and from him fell
The weight of years; for in that pictured face,
Which now was clad with years, he still could trace
The semblance of the long lost years.

Ah! strange to tell, the fleeting years may fold
Our outward forms into a queer, quaint mould,
But when we look within ourselves we see
The same old self just as it used to be,
Changed only by the silvered hair.

SOCIETIES.

LITERARY SOCIETY.

The first meeting of the Undergraduates' Literary Society was held on Friday, the 28th Sept.,—Mr. Hanson occupying the chair. The business of the evening was the election of officers for the ensuing year. After some hesitation on the part of the meeting, Mr. Howard was nominated for President; he, however, insisted on his name being withdrawn. Mr. Carmichael was then nominated, but he, too, wished to have his name withdrawn. Mr. Hanson was then elected by acclamation. Messrs. Marler, Mullen and Robertson were nominated for the office of 1st vice-president, Mr. Robertson being elected. Messrs. Heney and Marler were then nominated for 2nd vice-president, Mr. Marler being elected. Messrs. Saxe, Cole, Mansur, Campbell, Suter and Leslie were nominated for the office of secretary, Mr. Suter being elected. Mr. Patterson was elected assistant secretary by acclamation. Mr. Hickson was also elected by acclamation to fill the office of treasurer. The following were elected as members of the Executive Committee: R. T. Mullin, Law '96; P. C. Leslie, Med '95; M. C. Hopkins, Arts '95; S. Graham, Arts '96; and J. C. Colby, Arts '98. Mr. Howard moved, Mr. Hickson seconded: "That two reporters be elected to report the meetings held throughout the year." This motion was carried, Messrs. Saxe and Campbell being elected.

The officers of the Literary Society are now as follows:

President.—A. C. Hanson, Arts '95 and Law '96.

1st Vice-President.—J. C. Robertson, Arts '96.

2nd Vice-President.—H. M. Marler, Arts '97.

Secretary.—R. W. Suter, Sc. '97.

Asst. Sect.—R. Patterson, Arts '98.

Treasurer.—J. C. Hickson, Arts '95.

Reporters. { J. G. Saxe
 { E. M. Campbell } Arts '97.

Committee.—R. T. Mullin, Law '96.

P. C. Leslie, Med. '95.

M. C. Hopkins, Arts '95.

S. Graham, Arts '96.

J. C. Colby, Arts '98.

UNDERGRADUATES, LITERARY SOCIETY.

The weekly meeting of the Undergraduates' Literary Society was held Oct. 5th, 1894. President Hanson in the chair. Mr. Mullin, of Law, was selected to be the critic for the evening.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. A letter was read from Mr. P. Leslie (Medicine), resigning his position on the programme committee of the Society. His resignation accepted, Mr. Herbert Marler, Arts '97, was elected unanimously to fill the vacant position.

The report of the Treasurer of 1893-94 was read, audited and approved. The business finished, the programme was resorted to.

First, Mr. S. Graham of Arts '96 read an essay, which was written in an excellent manner, worthy of a Senior. A reading by Mr. Colby, Arts '97, followed, which was much appreciated. Mr. Hopkins, Arts '95, then led a chorus in one of our own classical ballads.

Next came *the* event of the evening, the Debate. The subject was,—“Resolved, that Canada offers more advantages to a young man than the United States.” This resolution was ably defended by Messrs. Gilmour, Arts '95; Scrimger, Arts '96; and Colby, Arts '98; while Messrs. Saxe, Arts '97; C. Howard, Arts '97; and Heney, Arts '98, endeavored to show its fallacy.

The meeting, with true patriotic spirit, decided in favor of the affirmative. Mr. Mullin followed with a witty and useful critique, which was much enjoyed by all.

Mr. Ship, Arts '98, made some remarks, and the evening closed, being acknowledged a decided success by everyone.

Y. M. C. A.

During this session the Association has inaugurated a plan for the systematic study of the Bible. The work entitled “Clews to Holy Writ” will be taken as a guide and efficient helper in this study. This admirable work is from the pen of Mrs. Ashley Carus-Wilson—written “by a student for students.” It indicates a plan of study, gives much valuable information, is neatly printed and bound, and, though selling in the United States for a dollar and a half, it is given to Montreal students by any of the book-sellers for eighty-five cents. According to the plan of this book, we urge all our men to begin reading the Bible at Genesis this week, a chapter each day and every twelfth-day two chapters. In this way the whole Bible will be read through in three years. Here is a chance for men in the First and Second Years to complete, during their College course, the reading of a book which for both present and future will be “a light to their feet and a lamp to their path.”

Supplementary to this private reading, a course of Lectures will be given, and Faculty Bible classes will be conducted. These lectures and the work of the classes will be based on some subject or topic suggested by the part of Scripture read each week. In this way we hope to have our Bible study this year concentrated, systematic and thorough. It is hoped a good and universal interest will be manifested in this department of College work. During this week and next the Bible classes will meet as announced on Sunday. On Sunday, 14th, Mr. Rexford, B.A., Rec-

tor of the High School, will speak on “Practical Suggestions to Bible Students;” and on the 21st, Professor Ross of the Presbyterian College, on “The Revelation to Abraham of God as ‘El Shaddai.’” Meetings on Sunday are at 3 o'clock in Association Hall, city Y. M. C. A., Dominion square. All students invited.

APPLIED SCIENCE GLEE CLUB.

The annual meeting of the Applied Science Glee Club was held on the 12th of March last.

The Treasurer's and Executive Committee's reports on being read showed the Club to be in a flourishing condition both financially and otherwise.

These reports being accepted, the election of officers for 1894-95 was then proceeded with, and resulted as follows:

Hon. Pres.—Dr. B. J. Harrington.

Hon. Treas.—Prof. G. H. Chandler.

President.—R. L. Blackburn, '95.

Vice-President.—J. W. Bell, '97.

Treasurer.—F. W. Angus, '95.

Secretary.—F. L. Packard, '97.

The meeting then adjourned after a vote of thanks to the retiring officers.

Y. W. C. A.

On the afternoon of Thursday, September 17th, the Second Year class-room presented an appearance of unusual gaiety and animation. Skillful hands had transformed it into a very bright and pleasant tea-room, by means of pretty draperies, rugs, a piano, dainty tea-tables and flowers, not to mention several hours' energetic work. The occasion was that of the annual reception to the new students, by means of which the members of the Y.W.C.A. endeavor to prevent that feeling of stiffness and formality which is so apt to mar the enjoyment of our first days at College. In this respect the “tea” was even more successful than usual. Everyone seemed to do her best to make the “new girls” feel perfectly at home, while the “new girls” themselves appeared quite to enter into the “social spirit.” Consequently, a very pleasant afternoon was the result.

A short musical programme was given, consisting of piano solos by Miss Denoon and Miss Pinder, and songs by Mrs. Barr and Miss Mona Watson, while the present representatives of what we hope will one day develop into a Donalda Glee Club sang College songs. After tea had been served a short address was given by the President of the Society, Miss Rosalind Watson. In her usual bright and happy way Miss Watson spoke briefly of the aims and work of the Society, and extended a cordial welcome to

the new students, at the same time inviting them to attend the meetings and become members of the Y. W. C. A.

A meeting of the active members of the Y.W.C.A. was held on Monday, Sept. 24th, to discuss the resignation of our president, Miss Radford. It was with sincere regret that Miss Radford's resignation was accepted, for we felt that she was, in every way, capable of filling her position. Miss Rosalind Watson of the Fourth Year was then appointed to fill the vacant post.

ETHEL M. DOULL,
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Recording Secy.

Δ. Σ.

The annual meeting of the Delta Sigma Society was held on Thursday, Oct. 4th, at four o'clock in the Second Year Class room. Miss Armstrong, in the absence of the vice-president, took the chair, and spoke briefly on the origin and aim of the Society. After this the officers for the year were elected. The proposal of Miss Cameron's name for the position of President was received with acclamation, and no other name was proposed. The other elections were as follows:

Vice-President—Miss Pitcher.

Secy.-Treas.—Miss Galt.

Assistant Secy.-Treas.—Miss Carr.

Committee.—Misses Raynes, Hammond and Savage.

The Constitution of the Society was then read, one clause of which fell on our ears with special distinctness, namely, that each member of the Society may be called upon to take active part in the meetings at least once during the year.

In presenting her report of the past year's work, the Secretary mentioned the pleasure we had experienced in our meeting with the Alumnae Society, and expressed the wish that another such meeting might be arranged this year.

The meeting was closed by an impromptu debate, at the very mention of which part of the audience decamped. Those who remained heard speakers partly eloquent, partly spasmodic, on the subject, "Resolved, that social intercourse is not conducive to intellectual development."

The speakers on the affirmative had good authority to back their views; nevertheless, the weighty arguments on the negative were successful, and gained the day.

It was to be regretted that few of the Freshmen were present, but we suppose that the intensity of their studies draws them to the library and to their rooms. Perhaps when they reach the higher years they will have time for such frivolities.

AFFILIATED COLLEGES.

MONTREAL DIOCESAN THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE.

The Montreal Diocesan Theological College opened as usual on Sept. 15th, but many students did not return until the following week. Rev. Canon Henderson, D.D., Principal of the College, began his lecture on the 20th. Rev. Canon Empson, M.A., and the Rev. C. C. Waller, B.A., began their lectures during the week, but the Very Rev. Dean Carmichael, LL.D., Rev. Canon Mills, B.A., and Rev. G. O. Troop, M.A., did not resume their lectures until last week.

The opening was consummated Oct. 4th, 11 a.m., when his Lordship the Right Reverend W. B. Bond, D.D., Lord Bishop of Montreal and President of the College, welcomed the Students once again, and asked God's blessing upon the work of the session. He exhorted the students to set an example for good, and thus show their Christianity in daily life. The spiritual well-being of the College depends upon the students, and each man must remember that he is his brother's helper. "Be praying men. Pray without ceasing. The chief lesson for a pastor to learn is to know Christ, and this can only be done through the Bible under the power of the Holy Spirit."

The attendance is good this session, and everything points to a successful year. Six students are taking the Undergraduate course in Arts.

The Alumni will meet Oct. 15-17, instead of at the opening as formerly, and there will be a public meeting in the Synod Hall on Tuesday, 16th, at 8 p.m., when there will be present to address the meeting the Right Rev. J. H. Newnham, D.D., Bishop of Moosonee, and the Rev. J. de Soyres, M.A., of St John, N.B. Cordial invitation is extended to the students of the different colleges to attend this meeting.

PRESBYTERIAN COLLEGE OPENING.

The opening lecture of the Presbyterian College was delivered, on the evening of October 3rd, by the Rev. Professor John Campbell, M.A., LL.D. Rev. Principal Macvicar, D.D., LL.D., occupied the chair, and on the platform to his right and left were the professors and alumni.

When the Rev. Professor Campbell stepped forward to deliver the inaugural address, he was greeted with loud applause. He had chosen as his theme, "The Excellence of Christianity."

At the close of the lecture, the Rev. Principal MacVicar spoke briefly of the progress of the College. The number of students in attendance last session was ninety-two. Of these, fifteen graduated, and are

now, with the exception of one or two, settled in pastoral charges in various parts of the Dominion. Sixteen new students have arrived, and more may come so that possibly there may be a greater number of students this session than in any previous year.

WESLEYAN COLLEGE.

The annual session of the Wesleyan Theological College began on the 27th ult. The Rev. Principal Shaw made a short address to the students, and a communication from the McGill authorities was read, giving notice that the University Street gates would be closed on Sundays and after 6 o'clock p.m. on week days. This announcement brought forth a storm of disapproval. "The Gates Ajar" has been dropped from the Sabbath afternoon programme.

The inaugural address was delivered on the evening of Oct. 5th, by Dr. Antliff, who returns to the College after an absence of some years.

CONGREGATIONAL COLLEGE.

On Wednesday evening, Oct. 4th, the Congregational College made a formal commencement of another session's work under most auspicious circumstances.

The lady friends of the College provided refreshments, and at 6.30 entertained the students and directors to a tea very tastily got up.

At eight o'clock the public meeting took place in the Assembly hall. Rev. Dr. Cornish presided. There were present: Rev. T. B. Hyde of Toronto, Principal Barbour, Rev. Prof. Warriner, Rev. Dr. Jackson of Kingston, Rev. E. M. Hill, Rev. J. B. Silcox, Rev. Thos. Hall of the city, Rev. D. McCallum, Maxville; Rev. J. G. Sanderson, Danville; Rev. A. F. McGregor, Woodstock, and others from a distance. The devotional exercises were conducted by Dr. Barbour and Prof. Warriner. The students rendered a sacred quartette. Mr. J. Ritchie Bell sang with splendid effect, "Take time to be Holy." The speaker of the evening, Rev. T. B. Hyde of Toronto, was then called upon. His subject was "Christian Ambition." Though Mr. Hyde is a comparatively young man, he delivered a most admirable address. His lecture from start to finish sparkled with bright gems of truth. It was pronounced one of the best addresses ever delivered at the College opening.

CLASS REPORTS.

MEDICAL CLASS REPORTS.

During the past four years we have had to mourn for three beloved professors that were claimed by Death. At the present time it is our pleasing duty

to rejoice with our esteemed Professor of Pathology on the excellent step he took last June when he married one of Montreal's most beloved daughters. The Students in Medicine wish the Professor of Pathology and his wife much happiness in their married life.

The Faculty has shown its wisdom in appointing Drs. Alloway, Ruttan, Finley and Lafleur as professors. All well deserve their promotion, as their work on behalf of the students has been untiring and unselfish.

We are pleased to see again among us several men who absented themselves from College for a year. All were good Faculty men, and were much missed. Mr. John Flynn, to whom we are chiefly indebted for the excellent constitution which governs the money matters of the Faculty; Mr. Bailey, who took so active a part in furthering the interests of the FORTNIGHTLY; and Mr. James Barclay, who represented his year so ably as centre scrimmage man on the University Fifteen.

Every Med. should now avail himself of Gymnasium privileges. Note the new regulations.

There is just sufficient time for our athletes to attain the perfect co-ordination necessary to success on Sports' day. The winning of the "Trophy" should not be left to a few, so every capable Med. should get into shape and do his best for the Faculty.

Ninety Freshmen have already registered. Notwithstanding the lengthened term, the knowing ones still flock to Old McGill.

Died at Kemptville, Ont., Thursday, Oct. 4th, John B. Ferguson, æt. 23. Class '96 is thus called upon to mourn the death of one who has been most energetic in all class organizations. That he was President of his class is evidence of the esteem in which he was held. It was thought that no more fitting expression of sympathy could be given than to send a delegation to attend the funeral. Messrs. Duckett, Lynch, H. B. Fraser, Thomson, Lee and A. J. Grant representing '96 were accompanied by several members of the Final and Second Years.

The following officers were elected by Class '97 on Monday, Oct. 8th:

President.—H. Peppers.

Vice-President.—J. A. Gourlay.

Sec.-Treas.—J. D. McCrae.

Class Reporter.—W. Proderick.

ARTS NOTES.

The first meeting of the Fourth Year Arts was characterized by an unusual degree of harmony and unanimity.

Mr. E. Edwin Howard was chosen president by acclamation.

The officers for the year are :—

President.—E. E. Howard.

Vice-President.—W. W. Craig.

Secretary.—Fred. T. Tooke.

Reading Room Committee.—M. C. Hopkins and A. C. Hanson.

Class Reporter.—M. H. McIntosh.

At a meeting of the Third Year the following officers were elected for this session :—

President.—W. S. Ferguson.

Vice-President.—W. G. Turner.

Sec.-Treas.—Geo. A. Campbell.

Mr. S. G. Archibald has left with his brother to spend the winter in the south of France, at the famous old University of Montpellier.

He is one of the most popular and most able men of our year, and one whose absence we shall all feel very keenly.

A large detachment of the men went down to the steamer to bid him good-by, and the McGill yell, given at parting, rang out with startling distinctness over the lonely wharf.

We all unite in wishing him a very pleasant and profitable trip, and hope that the echo of the Old McGill "cry" will long linger in his ears to show him he is not forgotten by his classmates.

The Second Year Arts met on Monday, the 24th Sept., in the Reading Room, and proceeded to the election of officers for the present session. The results of the election are as follows :

President.—A. R. McMaster.

Vice-President.—Hector Mackay.

Secretary.—R. H. Kerr.

Reading Room Com.—J. G. Saxe and Campbell Howard.

Reporter.—J. A. Cleland.

Mr. Saxe was also nominated for president ; but in proposing Mr. McMaster, he asked to be allowed to withdraw his own name, and the class unanimously decided for Mr. McMaster. The newly elected President expressed his appreciation of the honor conferred upon him, and in this he was aided by his canine friends, two of them, who were very loud in their manifestation of delight at the election. They evidently wished to share with him the honors of the occasion, for as soon as he intimated that they were next to elect the two best looking individuals in the room for

the Reading Room committee, they placed themselves upon the table as candidates. Admonished by their master to be more modest, they descended from their exalted position, and their chagrin was great when Messrs. Howard and Saxe were elected. A vote of thanks was accorded to the officers of the preceding session, and the meeting was adjourned.

The class has not lost much numerically since last year, and of course in other directions it has gained greatly.

The Professor of Botany warned the men that some of the microscopes and other instruments which were to be used by them in the class room would be also used by the Donaldas, and he hoped that there would not be any evil results from such a circumstance.

"I shall introduce you to them next day, gentlemen," added the Professor.

B.....ll (delightedly).—"To the Donaldas, sir?"

Prof.—"No, to the instruments."

Classical Professor: "I wish the class to become thoroughly acquainted with Livy's style before beginning the exercises in prose composition."

McM—r: "Would it not be well to use the blue book pretty freely, sir, till we get well into his peculiar style?"

A meeting of the Undergraduates in Arts was held on Thursday, the 4th inst., to appoint a representative of the Faculty to the Business Board of the FORTNIGHTLY. The position was made vacant by the resignation of Mr. Archibald, and Mr. Alfred E. Gordon of the Third Year was chosen to succeed him.

On Wednesday, Oct. 3rd, the First Year Arts met, and elected their officers. The following gentlemen were appointed :—

President.—W. B. Heney.

Vice-President.—W. G. Bishop.

Secretary.—M. C. Heine.

Class Reporter.—J. C. Colby.

Messrs. H. A. Coussirat and P. E. McConnell were chosen to represent the class on the Reading Room Committee.

LEGAL BRIEFS.

Ye Classe Reporter maketh his bowe, and—a few preliminary remarks :

He deemeth it seasonable to appraise all and sundry, and especially the students of the law, of the scope of his arduous labours for the coming yeare.

Item :—He promiseth sincerely at the outset that he will try to be as funnie as he can.

Item :—Like a diligent and trustie searcher after the newes, he will faithfully record the noteworthie

events in his little world, and will follow the several years to the end of the session through all their joys and woes.

Item:—While his vitals yearn with sympathie for the Professional Staffe in their trying worke, he taketh it not amiss to avowe that all due respect and deference shall be paid them in his column, as is due from scholar to his masters.

Item:—He will have his vigilant eye upon the freshmen, lest they get into a legal tangle and do themselves harme. The modest he will extol and the freshest he will impale in his columns, beware! He giveth them here a piece of good advice anent the general worke: Do not give the Third Year "points" in knotty questions in the law—keep them for examinations. Do not brow-beat the Professors. Do not interrupt the morning lectures by late arrival—nor the evening ones by irrelevant questions. This is painful to the lecturer and maketh the other yeares weary. Do not ask any lecturer about dog fights and "sich"—"orses and dorgs is some men's fancy"—which was very good discourse for a Pickwickian coachman, but freshmen,—rise!

Item:—After the manner of the worthie classe reporters of the past, he throweth his column open freely to all the yeares, and interesting newes is welcome and jokes and quibs, the which latter shall every one be printed—if they be not too funnie.

And all reports shall come forth in the vernacular to which he will now emerge to record the following events, to wit:—

The election of officers for the year was held in the Faculty room on September 7th, and resulted most satisfactory to all concerned in it.

President—Charles Gaudet.

Vice-President—Evelyn Mitchell.

Secretary—George Montgomery, B.A.

Class Reporter—J. A. Devlin.

Since the election of officers for the students of the Faculty of Law, the members have received, to their great regret, Mr. Devlin's resignation as class reporter, which he was forced to send in, owing to the illness which is at present preventing him from following out his Law course.

At a meeting held to consider his resignation, the Students passed a vote of sympathy with their very popular fellow-student, Mr. Devlin, and unanimously elected Mr. Mullin of the Second Year to fill the vacancy.

The first meeting of the Moot Court was held on Friday the 28th September, when a difficult and technical case was argued which involved points on Insolvency Law and Law of Donations.

Dean Trenholme presided in court, and took the

case *en délibéré*, and has since rendered an elaborate and exhaustive judgment on the matters in dispute.

The case was not only interesting in itself but was very ably argued by the different Counsel.

The Plaintiffs were represented by Messrs. Mullin and Boyer.

The Defendants by Messrs. Carmichael and Mitchell.

It is to be hoped that the interest shown in the first debate will continue throughout the season.

The Law students were the first in the field this year in the way of Student celebrations, for, on the 26th September last, at the invitation of the Law Students of Laval, they in a body attended at the presentation of the Faculty flag given by His Honor Judge Jetté to the Laval students. Space does not permit us to give a full account of what was an exceedingly enjoyable evening, but the Law Students in McGill take this opportunity of acknowledging the great hospitality and attention of their Laval confrères. The courtesy they received on the occasion was, coming from Laval, not confined only to the Faculty of Law, but was a compliment to the whole Student body of McGill.

SCIENCE JOTTINGS.

The following class officers have been elected by the Fourth Year:—

President.—R. O. King,

Vice-President.—W. R. Askwith.

Secretary-Treasurer.—W. F. Carter.

Class Reporter.—A. R. Holden.

Reading Room Representatives.—R. B. McDunnough and A. R. Holden.

The financial outlook of the "Applied Science Association" this year is very bright. A general sentiment is quite evident that our present scheme is a good one, which let us prove by paying up punctually and to a man.

The Reading Room Committee is once more at work, with the following officers:—

Chairman.—R. B. McDunnough, '95.

Vice-Chairman.—A. R. Holden, '95.

Secretary-Treasurer.—H. R. Trenholme, '96.

The Committee intends to provide a stiff cover for every paper on the tables, and expects the members to take the usual pride in keeping everything in good condition.

A drawing desk is a useful and (at times) necessary article; but could we not be supplied with this convenience to an accompaniment of less red tape with fuss and feathers?

Granted that birds of a feather flock together ; but why are some of '95 so fond of prairie chicken ?

Certain "grave and reverend sen(i)ors" find it hard to bear the unseemly disturbance which has usurped the place of applause at our business meetings; and they trust that soon the escape valve of the feelings of their "*young*" friends will be opened in some other direction.

Practical Problem for a Senior.—What course to pursue when Professor No. 1 requests you to shew visitors through a certain room to the right of the stairs as you go down to the basement—and Professor No. 2 very strongly resents your having door of said room unlocked for said purpose.

It is a moot point among those most interested whether the *new* mound at the extremity of the Campus is for the purpose of illustrating wave motion, whether it is to serve as a landmark for those mariners who plough the troubled waters of the St. Lawrence, or whether it is there for some reason unknown to the world. All trust that the latter is not the case, and that some day the mystery may be solved.

The officers for the Third Year Science have been elected, and are as follows :

President.—Wm. McDougall.

Vice-President.—W. M. Archibald.

Secretary.—H. M. Killaly.

Representative to Glee Club.—Alex. Dufresne.

Representatives to Reading Room Committee.—H. R. Trenholme and George A. Walkem.

Class Reporter.—T. F. Kenny.

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Misfortune seems to have fastened on one of the most genial and prominent members of Science '96. After passing successfully through a railway accident in the summer with only the loss of his baggage, he is now laid up with the mumps.

We wish you luck with them, M—.

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"Pat" seems to be spending his evenings now in microscopic investigations of the structure of a fly's eye, etc. Do not let it interfere with your work, "Pat," old boy.

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Do you want any protractors or French curves ?
Not *this* year.

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The summer's work seems to have taken a good deal of *Hare* off the heads of some of the '96 men.

The "Kid" has suddenly developed a sporting tendency of the most pronounced kind. He is spoken of as a representative on the Faculty team race.

Another of our '96 men has deserted us for Medicine. We hope he will be as popular there as he was in Science.

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We hear that "Socrates" has left us and gone to California for his health. We hope he will return to us soon with renewed strength from the genial climate of the South.

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None of the Third Year men are taking German this year. It is not from lack of love for the grand old German language, but from want of time.

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If one of the popular Arts lecturers would call on the Third Year he might obtain a couple of keys of the lecture room door that mysteriously disappeared last year.

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At a meeting of the Third Year on the 5th, Mr. H. M. Killaly, their popular secretary, sent in his resignation on account of having been elected General Treasurer of the Undergraduates Society of Applied Science. On Mr. Killaly explaining that he could not conscientiously hold the two offices, his resignation was accepted with regret. Mr. R. H. Stewart was elected in his place.

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At a meeting of the Second Year, the following officers were elected :

President.—Clark Staples.

Vice-President.—W. F. Connal.

Secretary.—A. B. Newcombe.

Reading Room Committee.—J. W. Bell.

Class Reporter.—B. C. Travis.

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Prof. C's latest pun—Pre-Sise-ly.

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He had been sent to the wrong store.

Clerk (at book-store).—"Are you sure that the key you want is not among these books?"

Freshman.—"No, sir; I wanted a latch-key."

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All of the Second Year, with but few exceptions, have subscribed to the FORTNIGHTLY.

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The five men who attended French lecture while the strike was on were greeted on their return with a liberal quantity of water, soap and burnt corks.

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Sc. Soph.—Do you see that man?

Fair Donalds.—Where?

Sc. Soph.—Across there, leaning against a tree.

Fair Donalds.—Oh! is *that* a man? I thought it was a professor.

During the evening of the *Conversazione*, recently held in the Engineering buildings, the experiment of breaking a beam was performed in the Testing Laboratory.

The professor in charge informed the company that the beam would break under a pressure of 20,000 lbs. "What!" exclaimed an eminent divine standing near, "will it break at that pressure?" The professor assured him that such would undoubtedly prove to be the case. "I am surprised," responded His Reverence; "I *am* surprised. The knots *I* tie are *only* strengthened by the pressure of £20,000."

FEATHERS FROM THE EAST WING.

Geological tramp on Saturday, Sept. 29th, to St. Helen's Island.

First lesson on the use of the hammer.

The Seniors regret that one of their members is unable to finish her course this year on account of ill-health. They also regret that another class-mate has decided to swell the number of the already large and illustrious class of '96.

Now we are 7,—according to tradition, a perfect number, and who will dare break the mystic charm?

If someone would be so kind as to lend a Senior a moral impression for a week, it would be returned with care.

The "East Wing" of our mother hen has spread protectingly to receive, besides its annual downy fledgelings, three larger chicks already taught in other coops to scratch for the "first worm." Donalda '96 welcomes among its old members Miss Vaudry from St. Francis, Miss McWilliam from Morrin, and Miss Bryant from Stanstead. Miss Fraser, formerly of '95, has also kindly joined us, wishing to take the Honour English course before graduating. We trust we will give her no cause to regret her change of class-mates. Several of our members are taking honors:—Miss Hammond and Miss Henderson—*Classics*; Miss Mitchell, Miss Hurst, Miss Nicholls, Miss Fraser and Miss Pitcher—*English*; Miss McPhail—*Philosophy*; Miss Locke and Miss Bryant—*Modern Languages*.

The Sophomore class is not as large as we had hoped, owing to the absence of several of our members which we sincerely regret. But it is with pleasure that we welcome Miss Rickey among us.

Although we are few in number, we shall endeavor in no way to do discredit to old McGill, our *Alma Mater*.

The officers of the various years for the session 94-95 are as follows:

Fourth year:—

President.—Miss Armstrong.

Secretary.—Miss Radford.

Class Reporter.—Miss Whiteaves.

Third year:—

President.—Miss Henderson.

Vice-President.—Miss Hurst.

Secretary.—Miss Mitchell.

Class-Reporter.—Miss Pitcher.

Second year:—

President.—Miss Louise Smith.

Vice-President.—Miss Marjory Holden.

Secretary.—Miss Mary Cameron.

Class Reporter.—Miss Annie Galt.

First year:—

President.—Miss Dover.

Vice-President.—Miss Jordan.

Secretary.—Miss Cowan.

Class Reporter.—Miss F. M. T. Cameron.

COMPARATIVE MEDICINE CLASS REPORTS.

This is the time of good resolutions and promises. Comparative Medicine wishes to register a promise to the readers of the FORTNIGHTLY. Contributions from this Faculty in the past have been very meagre, some issues containing none of any kind. In the future, accurate reports of meetings and current news, together with editorials and regular contributions, are promised. This implies a more general interest and support from the undergraduates. Let each one not only subscribe to the FORTNIGHTLY, but also aid the editors, and thus assure a better record.

The opening lecture, delivered by Professor Adami, was both instructive and entertaining. The lecturer more especially dwelt upon the intimate relation of student and professor, defining the latter to be only a more advanced student. The recollections of his own student days showed evident familiarity with the trials of the student, and served to place all undergraduates in a most receptive mood. A plea was made for more unity among the different Faculties of the University,—perhaps the most crying need of the University at present.

At a meeting of representatives of the various Veterinary Colleges, held in Philadelphia, September 17th, an Association of the Veterinary Faculties of North America was formed for the purpose of elevating the standard of Veterinary education. The possibility of establishing a uniform examination and degree was discussed. Dean McEachran represented McGill, and accepted the vice-presidency of the Association.

The failure of a large number of the new men to pass the matriculation examination is significant. It is no more than fair to say that their average attainments are equal to those of students in former years, but the standard has been raised.

When better acquainted with the difficult studies of the course, the necessity of a good foundation will be more clearly seen, and a higher matriculation commended most by these same individuals, some of whom are now inclined to complain.

During the summer, Dr. Macauley, '88, Dr. Shaw '94, and Dr. Darling '90, visited Montreal.

Mr. Regan '95 will not return until next session.

The long lost genial Sherman Cleaves is found. All extend a hearty welcome.

Anatomy at 7.50 a.m.!! "Kit" is negotiating the purchase of a fire alarm bell. He also has in view a patent apparatus for hanging clothes upon, similar to the harness holders now in use by the Fire Department. With these improvements we are assured no student need miss breakfast.

The eagerness of the Freshmen to purchase McGill ribbon on opening day, was explained later, when many were seen promenading with the fair sex. Truly, there is virtue in sailing under the right colors.

Nova Scotia sends another representative to divide honors with the only "Chinese Walter."

At a meeting of the class of '97 Mr. Cullen was elected chairman *pro tem*. Permanent elections for the year were as follows: President, Burns; Secretary-Treasurer, Connolly; Reporter, Bruneau.

A member of the Third Year is busily engaged in writing a novel entitled "The Mystery of an Express Wagon or Gaps in Memory." As it is largely biographical, we cannot, in view of the latter title, vouch for accuracy of detail.

We note with pleasure the neat appearance of the Students' room. To Frank's artistic abilities we owe the beautiful shade of green on the floor, so appropriate for the gambols (gambles) of the lambs.

Dr. Norman Taylor, '92, still keeps up his interest in McGill. Though located in the far West, he has already written, asking to have the FORTNIGHTLY sent to him.

ATHLETICS.

FOOT-BALL.

With the opening of another College year another Foot-ball season commences, and that, an important one in the history of Rugby Foot-Ball in the province of Quebec. Hitherto only the three city clubs have competed for the Senior Championship of this province, but this year the famous Ottawa College Club and also the Ottawa City Club are to compete for this honor. Already the season has commenced, and three Intermediate matches have been played, with the result that Montreal, Lennoxville and Ottawa College have beaten the Britannia, Quebec and Ottawa City clubs respectively.

This year McGill must make a great effort to win all, and especially the Senior Championship. This can only be done by everyone who really takes an interest in Foot-ball "turning" out and practising hard. This year McGill enters the Foot-ball field without the services of many of her old supporters, and as their places will have to be filled by new and junior men, the officers of the Foot-ball Club hope that everyone who plays the game will practise diligently. One feature which has been noticeable in other years is the half-hearted way in which some of the Senior team men practise, and another is the difficulty of getting good men out to play. All first class Foot-ball men owe it as a duty to their Alma Mater to turn out to the practices of their own accord, instead of having to be coaxed so to do. Senior men ought also to remember that, although they are superior to the other men with a small amount of practice, they are not able to compete with other Senior teams without doing good hard work. Again, some men think that they ought to be asked individually to play, and take it as an insult if they are not asked. Now, it should be perfectly obvious to these men that in a large institution like McGill it is often impossible to hunt them out; besides they must be aware that the Foot-ball officers have a great amount of other work to perform. Without doubt there are men in McGill to-day, who, if they turned out to practices, and worked hard, would enable the Club to place a team in the field which would not only win the championship of Quebec but also of Canada.

One word to new men:

Places can only be obtained on any team by proving by good work and hard practice that you are competent to fill them. In addition, junior men ought to remember, that although they may not obtain a place on one of the teams this year, they must not despair, but work hard in preparation for next year.

The officers for the present year are:

Honorary President.....Prof. Nicholson, B.Sc.

<i>President</i>	W. F. Angus, Sc. '95
<i>Vice-President</i>	C. Gaudet, Law '95
<i>Secretary</i>	J. C. Hickson, Arts '95
<i>Honorary Treasurer</i>	Dr. Ruttan
<i>Treasurer</i>	W. G. Turner, Arts '96

COMMITTEE.

<i>Arts</i>	} H. Hill K. Molson
<i>Medicine</i>	
<i>Science</i>	} P. Tees J. Leslie
<i>Law</i>	
<i>Vet. Science</i>	} F. A. Wilkin S. Davidson
	} W. Donahue A. Ogilvie
	A. Cowan

The following is the schedule of the matches of the Quebec Rugby Foot-Ball Union for season 1894.

SENIOR SERIES.

DATE.	TEAMS	GROUND	WON BY	SCORE.
Oct. 6	Montreal vs. Ottawa City.....	Ottawa.	.....	.....
" 6	Britannias vs. Ottawa College.....	Britannia.	.....	.....
" 13	Britannias vs. McGill.....	McGill.	.....	.....
" 13	Ottawa City vs. Ottawa College.....	Ottawa College.	.....	.....
" 20	McGill vs. Ottawa College.....	Ottawa College.	.....	.....
" 20	Montreal vs. Britannias.....	Montreal.	.....	.....
" 27	Montreal vs. McGill.....	Montreal.	.....	.....
" 27	Britannias vs. Ottawa City.....	Ottawa.	.....	.....
Nov. 3	McGill vs. Ottawa City.....	Ottawa.	.....	.....
" 3	Ottawa College vs. Montreal.	Montreal.	.....	.....

INTERMEDIATE.

FIRST ROUND.

A. Sept. 29	Lennoxville vs. Quebec.....	Quebec.	.....	.....
B. " 29	Ottawa City vs. Ottawa College.....	Ottawa City.	.....	.....
C. " 29	Montreal vs. Britannias.....	Britannia.	.....	.....
D.	McGill a Bye.		.....	.....
A. Oct. 6	Quebec vs. Lennoxville.....	Lennoxville.	.....	.....
B. " 6	Ottawa City vs. Ottawa College.....	Ottawa College.	.....	.....
C. " 6	Montreal vs. Britannias.....	Montreal.	.....	.....

SECOND ROUND.

E.	Winners of "A" play Winners "C" Home and Home	Matches on October 13th and 20th.	.....	.....
F.	Winners of "B" play Winners "D" Home and Home	Matches on October 13th and 20th.	.....	.....

THIRD ROUND.

Winners of "E" play Winners "F" October 27th and	.....	.....
November 3rd.	.....	.....
If a Montreal Club be in final, matches will be home and	.....	.....
home; if no Montreal Club be in finals, one decid-	.....	.....
ing match to be played in Montreal.	.....	.....

JUNIOR.

Oct. 13	Montreal vs. Quebec.....	Quebec.	.....	.....
" 13	McGill vs. Britannias.....	Britannia.	.....	.....
" 20	Montreal vs. Britannias.....	Britannia.	.....	.....
" 27	McGill vs. Quebec.....	Quebec.	.....	.....
Nov. 3	Montreal vs. McGill.....	McGill.	.....	.....
" 3	Britannias vs. Quebec.....	Britannia.	.....	.....

J. C. H.

CRICKET AT MCGILL.

Sporadic attempts at Cricket have been made at McGill since as long ago as 1865. The St. George's Club of Montreal for some years enjoyed the use of the campus, and repaid the kindness of the University by turning the centre of the field from the furrowed condition of a country meadow to the level lawn of a cricket crease. These were days an-

terior to summer sessions, when the University element, with the exception of occasional professors and graduates, were far away from the College precincts. It was not until 1889 that Cricket began to be played at McGill under distinctively University auspices. In that year the present club was organized, with Sir Donald Smith as honorary president; Dr. Ruttan, president; Mr. A. R. Oughtred, a law graduate, as vice-president; and the present holder of that office as secretary-treasurer. Several other graduates and about an equal number of Medical students made up the University element. Kindly desirous to encourage the game, the authorities permitted an associate membership of a few cricket enthusiasts, not connected with McGill, who had become devoted to the game in the colleges and schools of the Old Country. The total membership was about twenty-four, and great difficulty was found in securing elevens for the matches in the later season. No groundsman was then employed, and creases for the various matches were mostly the work of E. H. Hamilton, whose indefatigable efforts on behalf of sport of all kinds at McGill will be long and gratefully remembered. Harry was captain and wicket keeper, and during the first year of the club's existence led his elevens through a brilliant series of victories. Thirteen matches in all were played during the season, of which two only were lost and one drawn. The remainder were in general pronounced wins.

The season of 1890 was not so prosperous in the way of winning matches; nevertheless, a substantial majority of the games played resulted in victories. That year was notable in the history of Cricket in Montreal for the visit of the Winnipeg eleven. Several members of the University club played in the combination selected to meet this truly formidable eleven on the Montreal grounds. Among them was Mr. E. H. Hamilton, who succeeded in securing the top score of the home team. This was the last year of that excellent young club, the St. James, and next year several of its members identified themselves with the McGill club.

The season of 1891 saw a marked advance in the game in Montreal. The old Montreal club was revived under the auspices of the M.A.A.A., and proved a formidable and lasting antagonist to the University club. It was in this year the present pavilion was built and the water supply laid on the grounds.

The two proved a great strain on the slender resources of the Club, and a considerable debt yet remains as their consequence. It had become absolutely necessary, however, to provide some means of watering the turf, or cricket would soon have become an impossibility. Since this provision was made few lawns of any size in the city have presented a

better appearance during the summer, and the campus, instead of being a neglected spot during the vacation months, only occasionally mown, has had no little beauty and a much increased usefulness to boast of. The comparatively humble pavilion was another necessity that modesty cried out for. This was the first year the club employed the services of a groundsman, and much general improvement and some really excellent wickets were the results. All of this entailed a formidable expenditure, in great measure met by a large increase in membership and the raising of the subscription to all but students to five dollars. The generosity, however, of Prof. Moyses the President, and Messrs. Mack, Oughtred and others, principally enabled such an extent of enterprise. In this year Lord Hawcke brought his first eleven to America, and in October a match was played at Ottawa between his eleven and a combination from Ottawa and Montreal. In this match, Mr. C. J. Harrod, the Club's most consistent bowler, obtained several of the wickets of Lord Hawcke's strong batting combination at a cost of little over eight runs each, the best record made against that eleven in all their tour. In this year was played the first of those enjoyable games against Bishop's College School at Lennoxville on the Queen's Birthday. These have since become an annual feature. In 1892 the Club first secured the services of a regular professional, who has since played with it every season. There were also begun annual home and home matches with Ottawa, and a series of second eleven matches which an increased interest and membership made possible. The results of matches in this year were most successful. Seventeen games in all were played, and but three lost. Of the three, one was decided by time, when the University eleven had every prospect of winning. In 1893 the Club was far from being so fortunate. Of the twenty-two matches played, only nine were won, three drawn and ten lost. Nevertheless, the standard of play had distinctly risen, and the result only proved the progress Cricket was making in Montreal and elsewhere. The season just closed has shown a marked improvement over the results of last year. The first eleven lost but four matches out of twelve, and the second but one out of eleven. Space will not permit details and notice of individual records.

In conclusion, the Cricket Club, composed of two-thirds at least of graduates or undergraduates, can assuredly claim its share of the honours that have fallen to McGill in the field of sport. It has benefited and beautified the University grounds, encouraged a noble game, and done its share to maintain a high reputation for McGill wherever it has sent its elevens. All this without let or hindrance to anyone, and long may it pursue its prosperous course.

F. W. H.

THE MCG. U.A.A.

This Association has been placed on an entirely new basis; the grounds and track have been greatly improved, and it rests with the Students only whether we have a more successful Field Day than usual. The track has been widened; and the curves are now banked for a speed of 22 feet per second.

The Executive Committee of the Athletic Association have decided to put on a relay race this year; it is copied from Toronto 'Varsity, where it is always looked upon as the event of the day. The Faculty teams are to be made up of a man from each year, and each year should see that their best man is put on. It is only a question of getting out a half dozen of the most promising men and giving them a trial.

The Graduates Society are presenting a Faculty trophy to the Association, which is to be competed for year by year.

The M.A.A.A. have very kindly offered a gold medal, to be competed for by a special race to be known as the M.A.A.A. race, or perhaps it may be awarded to the individual making the greatest number of points. Like last year, the winner of an event scores three points, the second man two, and the third one point. First and second prizes will be given for each event. No points will be given for either the sack race or the relay race. A sub-committee is in charge of the weights, hurdles, etc.; these have been out on the grounds for some time now. I would specially urge the Freshmen to compete; last year the individual trophy was won by a Freshman.

The following is the Field Day programme as drawn up by the Executive Committee of the Association, but not yet passed by the Board in charge of College grounds and athletics:—

Kicking football.	880 yards.
Throwing hammer (16 lbs.)	One mile bicycle.
Running broad jump.	Three " "
Throwing heavy weights (56 lbs.).	440 yards run.
Throwing cricket ball.	Sack race.
Hurdle race.	Pole leap.
Putting shot.	Mile race.
High jump.	220 yards.
100 yards.	Relay race.
	F.A.W.

MCGILL UNIVERSITY RECORDS.

The following are the records made by the men of McGill during the past nine years, counted up to date:

Kicking the football—G. H. Mathewson, 168 feet, 5½ inches.

Throwing the cricket ball—C. Ault, 108 yards, 11 inches.

Putting the shot, 16 lbs.—McDougall, 35 feet, 9 in.

Throwing the heavy weight 56 lbs.—J. L. Brown, 22 feet, 7½ inches.

Throwing the hammer, 16 lbs.—N. Watson, 76 feet, 9 inches.

Standing broad jump—Springle, 9 feet, 11½ inches.

Running broad jump—H. M. Jaquays, 19 feet, 9 in.

Running high jump—H. M. Killaly, 5 feet, 6¼ in.

Pole leap.—Milburn, 9 feet, 9½ inches.

One mile bicycle—Coussirat, 3 min., 12½ sec.

One mile run—McTaggart, 4 min., 54½ sec.

One-half mile run—Barber, 2 min., 23-5 sec.

440 yards run—Tees, 54 2-5 sec.

220 yards run—Clark, 24 1-8 sec.

100 yards run—Kennedy, 10 2-5 sec.

120 yards hurdle—No authentic record, but as far as kept, Connolly, 19½ sec.

One mile walk—Robins, 8 min., 8 2-5 sec.

PERSONALS.

Miss Mackenzie, one of the class of '94, is now teaching at Stanstead.

Miss Shaw, also of the class of '94, is still with us, and is now taking up Greek.

A sister from across the sea has entered the first year, Miss Bourke Wright.

We regret to hear that Miss Flossie Botterell will not rejoin her class.

Miss Florence Cushing has been compelled to drop out of the class '95 on account of ill health.

It was a pleasure to see E. H. Hamilton, medallist Science '84, in town once more. His short visit reminds us how he piloted our first fifteen so successfully in '91, and may be a prophecy for our chances this year.

Mr. W. H. S. Kollmyer, B.A. '92, is studying law at Harvard.

A. J. Palmer, '96, has suspended his Medical course to pursue one in Natural Science at Toronto University.

A. L. Draper, '96, is unable to attend this session, but will continue his course next year.

Dr. Arthur Gorrell, '90, spent a few days in Montreal last week. He was much pleased with the renovations now being carried on at M. G. H. and at College.

Dr. L. Y. McIntosh, last year's president of the Medical Society, paid a flying visit to Montreal to be present at the opening lecture.

READABLE PARAGRAPHS.

Of the many bright verses that have appeared in college papers, the following, from the *Harvard Advocate* of May, 1870, are pre-eminent. They were written by Mr. Charles A. Prince, of Boston, when a Harvard student, and are addressed "To Pupils in Elocution":

"The human lungs reverberate sometimes with great velocity
When windy individuals indulge in much verbosity,
They have to twirl the glottis sixty thousand times a minute,
And push and punch the diaphragm as though the deuce were in it."

Less than a hundred years ago, according to the *Irish Law Times*, a proclamation was made at the Market Cross of Inverary, Scotland, which warned off poachers in this mixed style:

"Ta hoy! Te tither a hoy! Ta hoy three times!!! an' ta hoy—whist! By command of his Majesty King George, and her Grace te Duke of Argyll:

"If anybody is found fishing about te loch, or below te loch, afore te loch, or ahint te loch, in te loch, or on te loch, aroun te loch, or about te loch, she's to be persecuted wi' three persecutions: first, she's to be burnt: syne, she's to be drown't; an' then to be hang't. An' if ever she comes back, she's to be persecutit wi' a far waur death. God save te King an-her Grace te Duke o' Argyll."

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TREASURER'S STATEMENT FOR YEAR 1893-94.

RECEIPTS.

To balance from last year.....	\$ 50 06
" 616 subscribers.....	616 00
" extra sales.....	53 90
" interest	3 69
" advertising as per statement.....	638 58
	\$1,362 23

EXPENDITURE.

By printing account with John Lovell & Son..	\$623 52
" paper account.....	238 08
" engraving.....	46 79
" stationery, postage etc.....	12 55
" prize for story.....	10 00
" Editorial and Business Boards.....	403 76
" balance in Bank of Montreal.....	27 53
	\$1,362 23

FRANK J. DAY,

Chairman Business Board.

Audited and found correct,

E. B. DEVLIN,

Auditor.